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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Robertson are ill with the flu.

F. L. Edwards is attending the auto show at Portland.

Philip Doye is quite ill at his home on Mechanic Street.

Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Edwards were in Portland Friday.

Hoyt Gunther is confined to his house with measles.

Glen Patterson was able to return to Waterville Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Holt of Hanover called on relatives in town Sunday.

Mrs. Ula Parsons is assisting Mrs. Winnie Emery of Albany a few days.

Mrs. S. H. Wentzel has pansy blossoms, picked in her garden last Friday.

Nicholas Mather of South Paris visited at F. H. Gunther's Sunday afternoon.

Ira Hickford visited his daughter, Mrs. Frank Gibson of West Bethel, last week.

Another harbinger of Spring, a man in town Saturday selling nursery stock.

The river is clear of ice at West Bethel ferry for the second time this winter.

Miss Mildred Elmer of Gorham, N. H., is this week's guest of Mrs. S. H. Wentzel.

Mrs. F. L. Edwards is visiting her daughter, Dorothy, in Portland a few days this week.

Mrs. Grace Foley has gone to Clearwater, Minnesota, where she will spend some time.

Miss Angie Chapman of Portland is caring for Mrs. M. J. Marshall, who is ill at her home.

Frank Hamlin of Berlin was a guest of his sister, Miss Annie Hamlin, a few days last week.

Horton Buck of Bangor was a recent guest of his grandfather, Charles Crosby, at Skillington.

Miss Eldora Merrill has returned from Scarborough and is keeping house for her father, Zenas Merrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Perley Flint, Mrs. Erma Young and Mrs. Wallace Clark were in Lewiston shopping recently.

Mrs. Nellie Brickett suffered a shock at her home in South Paris Monday evening. She is in a serious condition.

Mrs. Ross Knap, who has been confined to her home by illness for a number of weeks, is somewhat improved.

The Tobekahs and Old Fellows will hold a public supper Friday, Jan. 22. Tickets are on sale with Miss Beatrice Brown.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Merrill of West Bethel passed away Monday at Mrs. Mabel Clough's where it had been since birth.

Mrs. Loren Bryant, who with Mr. Bryant has been staying at C. C. Bryant's, is quite ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Allen, at South Portland.

Mrs. Jesse Doye of Farmington and Miss Alfreda Wheeler who teaches at Barre, Vt., spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler.

Miss Beatrice Brown entertained Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Robert York, Mrs. Robert Blake, Mrs. Gilbert Brown, Miss Bertha Mundt, and Miss Adelaide Bean.

The State Health Department has issued a warning against a "threatening influenza epidemic," as reports of outbreaks in widely separated areas in the State are being reported.

A small but enthusiastic audience greeted the West Paris Minstrels at Odeon Hall Tuesday evening. The cast of characters and features were listed in last week's Citizen, and their offering was deserving of a packed house.

The American Legion Auxiliary held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Mabel Robertson Jan. 14th. After a business meeting of more than usual interest a short program was given consisting of old time songs by the members, a report of the December Council meeting at Norway, a paper consisting of an editorial on the purposes of the Auxiliary, a poet's corner, and things heard over the radio, a vocal solo by Betha Mundt. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Irene Lutton, Jan. 23.

Harry Brown of South Paris was appointed last week to serve as county commissioner until a successor to the late Charles L. Bartlett is elected. Mr. Brown has announced his candidacy for this office at June primaries.

BETHEL SCHOOL BANK REPORT

Jan. 15

Grade Savings Bank Total Per Cent

Primary School

I \$1.00 .46 9.

II 2.00 .80 13.

III 4.00 .80 24.

IV 4.00 4.00 27.

V 4.00 4.00 27.

VI 4.00 4.00 27.

VII 4.00 4.00 27.

VIII 4.00 4.00 27.

Total \$22.00 \$22.00

The Fourth and Fifth Grades have banners.

CLUB WORK IN MAINE STARTS WITH A BOOST

State Leader Shibbes Announces Enrollment 1500 Ahead of Year Ago

The 4-H Club enrollment in Maine continues to grow. At present 2,515 members are enrolled for the work in 1932, it was announced by Lester H. Shibbes, state club leader, who has summarized a report from all counties.

Valley County leads with 414. Penobscot is second with 318, Knox-Lincoln and Kennebec follow respectively with 242 and 228.

Mr. Shibbes also finds that enrollment at this time is over 1500 more than at a similar date last year. Hancock County has 175 members, whereas last year at this time none were enrolled. Piscataquis has 158 compared with 55 on the same date last year. At this time last year Washington had no members enrolled but now they have 126. In fact, Mr. Shibbes reports, every county shows a notable increase over last year.

BETHEL BOY SCOUTS RECEIVE TIMELY GIFT

At their regular meeting last week the local Boy Scout troop was presented with a basketball by the Bethel Lions Club. The gift is especially appropriate as a fine Scout basketball team is in formation under the direction of Coach Myers of Gould Academy, meeting for practice every Saturday morning.

This is not the first time that the Club's interest has been evident, for they made a large contribution to the expenses of the organization last summer.

The formation of the present troop was made possible entirely by local subscription and the Scouts, and all connected with them, appreciate this spirit of co-operation. Meetings are held Monday evenings at the American Legion Rooms, with practically 100% attendance.

OLD SAVINGS BANK CIRCULAR RECENTLY FOUND

The Brooklyn Eagle recently came across a circular published by the "Mutual Savings Bank of Brooklyn" 70 years ago containing advice to depositors which well might apply to the present era. This institution is no longer in existence and, since the records of the New York State Bankers' Department do not go back beyond 1884, no trace of what became of the institution can be found.

The cover of the booklet contained the name and address of the bank the officers, the hours of business and the rate of interest paid on all deposits, amounting to 6% per annum. The following four adages also appeared thereon: "A Penny Saved is Two Pennies Cleared," "Spare When Young, Spend When Old," "In Prosperity Prepare for Adversity," "Industry, Economy and an Account in a Savings Bank Prevent Vice."

On the inside page of the booklet let the following statement appear: "A savings bank is an institution for the whole people, because it is a teacher of prudence. An old and very true saying is, 'If any provide not for his own house, he is worse than an idiot.'"

"Then open an account with the Mutual Savings Bank for 'Providence' and there is no safer place than a savings bank."

"By our charter, the president and trustees receive no compensation for their services and are not allowed to borrow or use, directly or indirectly, any funds belonging to the bank."

"If you ever think what 25 cents a week, and there are very few of you, that they could not pay by that small sum if deposited in a savings bank for five or ten years, would amount to \$100.00, 25 cents a week would amount to \$1,300.00 in ten years, and \$26,000.00 in twenty years."

"You are in the habit of spending 10 or 15 cents a day for candy, which is a general thing that boys and girls do. If you save that candy money, it amounts to \$3.65 a year for the average boy, with interest, \$139.25 in ten years and \$449.51."

"All should remember that well helped hands are the hands of God, and that no man is so fortunate as to be always successful, so he wise and make uncertainty certain by putting your little savings in the bank and continuing to do so."

"Every mechanic and laborer should regularly from their weekly earnings set apart a small sum to put into the savings bank there to accumulate and provide against misfortune, sickness and old age."

The last page of the circular contained the statement that deposits in the savings bank of New York State in 1860 amounted to \$58,178,166. The average amount due each depositor was \$203.61.

Readers of this issue should read the advertisement of Row's on page eight, and benefit by the savings offered in the Annual January Sale, beginning next Saturday.

MR. AND MRS. WESLEY WHEELER TENDERED SURPRISE DINNER

A family dinner party was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wheeler Sunday in honor of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Plans for the party were made and carried out by their two daughters, Miss Alfreda Wheeler and Mrs. Myra Wheeler Doye, and was a surprise to the parents, who upon their return from church found the home filled with guests and dinner ready to serve.

During the dinner hour Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler were presented with a gift of silver by Irving Wilson from the brothers and sisters of Mrs. Wheeler. A gift of money, symbol of the wedding day, was presented by Chester Wheeler in behalf of the Wheeler brothers and sisters. An original poem written by Mrs. Bertha Wheeler was read at this time.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Irving Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert York, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Churchill, Selden Grover, Mrs. Edith Grover, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood, Miss Amy Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Wheeler and daughter Mary, John Harrington, Miss Alfreda Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Doye and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Doye of Farmington.

GOULD ACADEMY NOTES

Officers of the Gould Academy Y. M. C. A. have been elected for the year as follows: President, Franklin S. Chapman; Vice-President, John Thorpe; Secretary, Clayton Glover; Treasurer, Philip Carter. The members of the Cabinet are the officers and the following: Mark Hamlin, Harry Soule, Charles Dwyer, Paul Brown, and Walter Grover.

Rehearsals are being held for the Senior Class play, "Under Twenty," which will be presented the latter part of next month. "Under Twenty" is a three-act comedy written by L. W. Threlkeld and John Clements in cooperation with Harvey O'Higgins and Harriett Ford. The hero is a lovable personality, a charming misfit of 17, who takes it upon herself to save the family fortune by marrying her sister's dearest friend, a handsome man from the West. She is a movie fan and regulates all her deeds by asking herself, "What would Mary Pickford do now?" She manages to keep the entire family in turmoil, only to discover that she is really in desperate love with the Westerner. How she achieves her aims and makes everybody happy is too good a story to be written here. The production is under the direction of Miss Eleanor Nelson, coach of dramatics.

Ida Farnum, Frances King, Katherine J. Carter, Catherine C. Lyon, and Eleanor Lyon. The following four adages also appeared thereon: "A Penny Saved is Two Pennies Cleared," "Spare When Young, Spend When Old," "In Prosperity Prepare for Adversity," "Industry, Economy and an Account in a Savings Bank Prevent Vice."

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HISTORIC SPOTS NEED ADVERTISING

Maine People Do Not Realize Tourists' Interest in Famous Places

That Maine people do not fully appreciate the value of the historic spots in the State as important selling points for summer visitors is the assertion of Herbert L. Swett, President of the Maine Publicity Bureau. In a statement issued by the Bureau, Swett says:

"In its many fine spots and houses of historic interest Maine has a tremendous asset which we are failing to capitalize. Although we ourselves recognize their value and are proud of them, we do not make the effort we should to acquaint the tourists with them. Our old homes are of unusual interest to out-of-state visitors and the Bureau is asked 'where can we see some historic spots' by visitors every day during the summer."

"From the moment the tourist enters the State, we should stimulate his interest in the surroundings by proper markers and directions. We should send a large percentage of our visitors to see the Old Jail built in 1633, then to motor down our beaches and find the spot where the ancient town of Arundel stood. Portland offers the famous Longfellow House; at Thomaston there is the fine replica of Montezuma's Castle; Kennebec offers the Black House, the story of a family's life from 1642 until the present day; the beautiful crinoids in the Bangs house are worth a trip to Columbia Falls."

"All through the State we have these fine historic houses. The Barnum Tavern at Machias will repay a visit. There are nearly 40 forts and fortifications along the coast, the majority of them erected as a defense against Indians but serving their purpose in the Revolutionary War. Wherever the visitor goes he sees something of historic interest, a record of the patriotic people who fought and died for the ideals that led them to leave the hazards of pioneer life."

"The point I am trying to make is that each person in each community should consider himself a salesman for the particular points of interest in that vicinity. If the attendants at the garage or gas station would mention the nearby historic spots, if the merchant in the town would do the same, if the proprietors of hotels and camps would give their guests an idea of these rich treasures of the past, it would mean a great deal to our recreational industry. Word-of-mouth advertising is the most valuable form of advertising. From the farmer to the manufacturer everyone benefits by recreation, so we can add to our present business by also adding a little of modern sales methods. This stimulation of interest in our historic spots would augment the pleasure derived by the tourist from our natural scenic resources."

MAINE FRUIT GROWERS TO MEET AT AUBURN

These prominent men of state speak at the annual meeting of the Maine Fruit Growers Association, which will be held at Auburn Hall, Auburn, next Thursday and Friday, January 28 and 29. It was announced by Stanley Parker, state horticulturist.

Richard Wellington, chief in charge of the Division of Pomology, New York Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, New York, will discuss the value of old varieties and the reasons for the production of new varieties. Mr. Wellington started his work at the New York Station in 1901. He went to the University of Minnesota where he was assistant in charge of the section of fruit and vegetable experimentation. In 1909 he went to the University of Maryland and made a study of the vegetable work there. One year later he returned to the New York Experiment Station and has since been in charge of the fruit work, although as head of the department his interests have been extended.

Dr. H. H. Corbett, extension consultant, Kingston, N. H., will speak on the competition between apples and insect control.

MRS. W. I. BECKLER

Dora, wife of W. I. Beckler of Albany, passed away at her home Thursday evening, Jan. 14, after an illness of 10 days.

Mrs. Beckler was born in Albany, April 1, 1854, and has lived the greater part of her life there. She lived in Auburn, Lewiston, and Lynn, Mass., for a few years. She was a loyal worker for the Albany Church and Circle and a member of Round Mountain Grange.

She was loved by all and was ever ready to help the sick and needy. She will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her husband, W. I. Beckler; one sister, Mrs. Inez Bean of Albany; two brothers, George Cummings of Locke Mills and Wallace B. Cummings of Albany, also several nieces and nephews. One niece, Mrs. Alta Meserve of North Lovell, was as a daughter to her.

There were many people gathered to pay their last tribute at the Albany Church at Hunt's Corner Sunday afternoon at one o'clock. The remains were laid at rest in Hunt's Corner Cemetery.

"I cannot say, and I will not say that she is dead—She is just away! With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand, she has wandered into an unknown land, and left us dreaming how very fair it needs must be, since she lingers there."

And you—O you, who the wildest yearn to see her smiling face, as dear in the love of There as in the love of Here."

Think of her still as the snow, I say: She is not dead, she is just away."

Following is a list of the flowers from loving friends and relatives:

Spray, red roses, Mr. W. I. Beckler, Mrs. Inez Bean, Miss Sadie Murphy, Mrs. John Murphy, Sylvie and Madelyn Bird, Spray, Miss Maud Beckler, Mrs. Mabel Beckler, Miss Helen Beckler, Spray, Mr. George Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cummings and family, Basket of assorted flowers, Mr. W. B. Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stearns, Mrs. Lila Stearns and family, Spray, calla lilies, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Plinkham and family, Spray, carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Waterhouse, Spray, carnations, Mrs. Dalgay Philbrook, Spray, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Andrews and family, Spray, roses and carnations, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Inman, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Morrill, Spray, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gulliver, Spray, carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. B. Inman and family, Mrs. Maria Kimball, Spray, carnations, Mr. W. B. Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Morrill, Spray, carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Seither, Spray, carnations, Evergreen, Reddish Lodge, Spray, carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bumpus and family, Spray, roses and carnations, B. and M. Mountain Grange, Spray, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Russell and family, Spray, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Dean, Spray, Mrs. Lottie Palmer and family, Spray, carnations, Mr. A. A. Bruce, Spray, carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Baskett, church and circle, Mrs. Frank DeCoster, Mrs. Gertrude Burke.

GORHAM TAKES GOULD IN LAST PERIOD RALLY

Rumford Shamrocks Fail to Appear—Gould Travels to Mexico Friday

In the fastest game of the season the small but gamely fighting Gould Academy quint went down to defeat at the hands of the fast Gorham Normal team. The defeat came in the last period after the home team had given all they had in the third period to take a lead 26-25.

"Bud" Browne was put out of the game because of four personal fouls in the beginning of the final session. This seemed to take some of the fight out of the Academy team but they kept up the pace until the final whistle blew, with the Normal five leading 36-26.

A great deal of credit is due the fighting "blue and gold" considering the odds they were up against. West, the high point scorer for the visitors, is a former star player of Westbrook High School; while his team-mate, Snow, was an all tournament forward for Scarborough two years ago at the Lewiston Small School Tournament.

Winston Gouldin, center, was star center for Mexico in 1930 while last year he played for Hebron Academy. With this array of talented material against them the Gould squad deserves the praises which Gould backers and the Normal School team eagerly heaped upon them.

GOULD (21) FG FT TP

Browne, rf. 1 1 3

Stanley, lf. 5 2 12

Bartlett, c. 1 3 5

Quimby, rf. 3 0 6

Hamlin, lf. 0 0 0

Whitman, rf. 0 0 0

GORHAM NORM. (36) FG FT TP

Smith, rf. 9 0 0

Snow, rf. 6 0 12

West, lf. 7 1 15

Kimball, c. 0 0 0

Goodwin, c. 3 1 7

Anderson, rf. 0 0 0

Jensen, lf. 0 2 2

Time—Four eights. Referee—G. P. Miner.

The Rumford Shamrocks disappointed the large crowd assembled as well as the local Independent team by not showing up for the encounter. Coach Anderson was in touch with Manager Cormier of Rumford by phone on Monday. Mr. Anderson stated that they would be ready to play at 7:30 on Friday and would be in shape to give them a good game. Since then nothing has been heard of the Oxford County rivals.

The Independents played a 20-minute game with the Gould substitutes at the end of the main game. This game was won by the old thunders 16 to 14. Friday night the Gould basket ball team will travel to Mexico to take part in the group playoffs. Those players of W. Bartlett are quite sure to look to understand. But Gould and determination will carry them through to a profitable show-up.

Ex-officio of the M. A. B. (Oklahoma) New Capital is a 25 open themselves to a little money relative to the value and power of radio advertising. The evening recently they called by telephone 76 families between 8:00 and 8:30 and found 28 were not at home, that 41 others had not turned on the radio, that only seven were "listening in," and of the three very on one station, three on another and one on the third. This would indicate that the most effective radio advertising could have obtained out of the 76 families was 13. Not a very attractive show-up.

ODEON HALL, BETHEL

Saturday, Jan. 23

The Four Marx Brothers

"MONKEY BUSINESS"

Admission 50c. Adults 75c.

The Great Reduction Sale at the Grant's Apparel Shop is still on.

Arrival of New Spring Dresses are on display

Also a full line of Men's and Boys' Wear at greatly reduced prices.

Grant's Apparel Shop

Next to A. & P. Store, Bethel, Maine

The family of Charles Robert-
been ill with grippe but are
mend.
H. Learned has returned
ford where she has been
her daughter Marian who
has.
ina Smith is ill with a bad
son, who has been quite
ble to be out dors.
Brown called at G. H. Learn-
Friday.
was a few inches of snow and
the loggers much as it is.

and H. R. Powers sawed what
had hauled across the riv-
with their engine. The ice
in the rain of last week.

UPTON

Valdo Peaslee and her two
son are getting along well.
Jenkins took his son Fred
one day recently to see
y and have an X-ray picture
g. His leg is coming fine.
soon be able to go back to
ing has been delayed on ac-
the warm weather.

Greenwood

Cross is driving a team for-
gan.
from this place attended the
e Show" held at Locke Mills
y evening.
Norton was home over the
l. Mrs. Robert Cole and Ros-
om were in Newry Sunday.
Hanscom is staying at Robert
d attending Woodstock High.
Roberts is better at this writ-

DRESSING-PARLOR

Confident to say I can handle
at difficult task and give satis-
to all men, women and child-

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Bethel, Maine

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LIGHTS of NEW YORK

An ancient sailorman, now ashore
in New York, entertained an old
friend. The entertainment consisted
of considerable liquid refreshment. As
the guest finally layed to his feet to
go, he picked up something off the
table.

"Wait a minute," said the host,
"them's my teeth."
"They are my teeth as I put them
on the table," declared the guest.

"I tell you nobody can walk off with
my teeth," said the host, so much an-
noyed that he drew back his lips in a
snarl.

"You old fool," said the guest,
"you're worping your teeth."

"Doubtfully, though it is most often
seen at the time of courtship,
when air acrobatics are especially per-
formed by the birds."

Settling the New World

The Standards under Menendez
made the first settlement in the New
world at St. Augustine, Fla., in 1565,
also the second settlement at Santa
Fe, New Mexico, in 1598. The English
made the third settlement at James-
town, Va., in 1607. The first real set-
tlement in Canada was made by Du
Roi and Champlain at St. Croix Is-
land in 1604, followed by the settle-
ments of Port Royal, Nova Scotia, in
1605 and Quebec in 1608.

Ravens Fly Upside Down

A. Vedel Tanning, a Danish observer,
states that ravens fly upside down
are no rare sight in Iceland. He has
seen many hundreds of these interest-
ing birds performing evolutions in the
air around favorite resting places, and
at times they fly upside-down. This
flight is not particularly connected
with the courtship, though it is most
often seen at the time of courtship,
when air acrobatics are especially per-
formed by the birds.

Office Made Vacant

There is no vice president in case
his office is vacated because the Con-
stitution makes no provision for the
filling of the vacancy. One of the
functions of a vice president is to pre-
side over the senate. In the case of
his death or disability the senate elects
a president pro tempore from that
body.

Vine Root Carvings

A collection of carvings in bamboo
and vine roots, representing a high
order of art development in symbol-
ical statues, dishes, utensils, panels,
vases, boxes and other objects, is on
exhibition in the department of anthro-
pology at Field Museum of Natural
History, Chicago.

Swell Food

A parent from Pasadena, whose off-
spring is suffering from a passion for
peanuts, pesters Quest to ask, "Are
peanuts good for the nerves and nutri-
tious?" "They must be," theorizes
the editor. "Look what they do to ele-
phants."

Camel Schedules

Caravans of a thousand camels, car-
rying loads of from 400 to 1,000 pounds
per animal, travel at a regular speed
of about two and one-half miles an
hour, for ten hours at a stretch in
ankle-deep sand between water holes.

Anatomy and Crime

We hear that a certain noted physi-
cian cites removal of the appendix as
"a cure for crime." It would seem,
therefore that the way to a man's con-
science also may be through his stom-
ach.—Fort Wayne News Sentinel.

Historical Globe

The globe that first put America on
the map is in Philadelphia. Intended
originally as a gift for the Emperor
Charles V. It is almost 400 years old
and was made by the famous geo-
grapher and mapmaker, Mercator.

Just a Kiss

Kissing, as defined by Dr. J. O. H.
Oldfield: "The result of two sets of
cellular vibrations which attract each
other and become harmoniously merged
into a rich chord of contact."—Sma-
—Toledo Blade.

Your Choice

A doctor who runs a indicated
vice column in the paper says "The
way to keep young is to live with
young people." And the way to
quickly is to try to keep up with
them.

Too Lightly Guarded

"Man would be happier," said H.
H., the sage of Chinatown, "if he
could guard his utterances as care-
fully as he guards money and jewels."
—Washington Star.

And One Copy for Borrowers

No gentleman can be without three
copies of a book; one for show, one
for use and one for borrowers. —Re-
land Heber, Book Collector (1773-1831).

Chinese First

The Chinese know the direction bet-
ter than the rest of the world. Before the
Europeans devised the real magnetic
compass in 1300.

There Is Nothing New

The present condition of things more
than the past, and what is found in the
past was already in the future.
—Pergamon.

All the Same to Them

Some bridge players seem to make
no distinction at all between surprise
bids and astonishing bids. —Arkansas
Gazette.

Knowing How to Use

Sometimes there is too less ability
in knowing how to use than in giving
good advice. —La Rochefoucauld.

Why Justice Is Called Blind

Justice, church party, friendship,
kindred, and is always, therefore, rep-
resented as blind. —Addison.

The Old Home Way

A bird in the hand leaves the day
less meat on the bones. —Fl. Wayne
News-Sentinel.

Weather Phenomenon

Luminous rain is a weather phe-
nomenon which has been observed
on rare occasions.

Whidom

He gains wisdom in a happy way
who gains it by another's experience.
—Plautus.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Carrie L. Caldwell
Mrs. Carrie Isabel, wife of Samuel J.
Caldwell, passed away Tuesday, Jan.
12. Mrs. Caldwell had been an invalid
for several years, and for the past
four years confined to a wheel chair.
She was 72 years of age and was only of three
weeks' duration.

Mrs. Caldwell was the daughter of
Rollin and Nancy Hayes Towne, and
was born in Norway Dec. 31, 1858. She
was united in marriage with Mr. Cald-
well in September, 1878. Besides her
husband she is survived by a sister,
Mrs. Fannie Dismore of Oxford, and
two brothers, Charles Towne of Som-
erville, Mass., and Will Towne of Tu-
lare, Calif., also several nephews and
nieces.

Mrs. Caldwell was a Universalist,
and always gave her interest and sup-
port to the church as long as health
permitted. She was deeply devoted to
her home, and from it there always
radiated good cheer, friendliness and
good will.

The funeral was held from the home
Saturday afternoon. Rev. Eleanor B.
Foshee of the Universalist Church of-
ficiated. There was an abundance of
flowers. The remains were placed in
the receiving tomb to await burial in
the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Stone gave a
reception at Grange Hall Wednesday
evening, which was attended by near-
ly 200 people. After the reception
refreshments were served, followed by
dancing. Mr. and Mrs. Stone re-
ceived many useful and pretty gifts.
The Bates Literary Club met at the
home of Mrs. H. R. Tuell Friday af-
ternoon. There was a good attendance
and an interesting program. Meeting
was opened by the president, Mrs.
Frank P. Knight, Jr. Mrs. Jennie
P. Perkins was appointed secretary
and read after the devotional and busi-
ness routine. Mrs. Dana A. Grover
read a sketch of the life of Hamlet
Garland and his book, "Son of the
Middle Border." Mrs. P. R. Penley
read "Main Travel Roads" by
Garland reading sketches from the
short stories. Mrs. Knight read a
sketch of the life and work of Stephen
Crane also the story, "The End of
War" by Crane. Mrs. Gwendolyn Per-
ham spoke briefly of the political con-
ditions. The next meeting will be
held with Mrs. Albion L. Abbott Fri-
day, Jan. 29.

Miss Frances Richardson, who has
been spending a vacation at her home
has resumed her studies at Gray's
Business College, Portland.
The Amos 'n' Andy Minstrels from
the West Paris Athletic Association
presented their entertainment at Bethel
Tuesday evening.
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Framingham, Mass., were in town to
attend the funeral of Mrs. S. J. Cald-
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HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

- Questions
1. Who wrote "Main Street"?
 2. What is the first word of the Bible?
 3. What is the capital of New York?
 4. What well known gangster was recently shot to death by his enemies?
 5. Is it correct to say, "It is beastly weather"?
 6. Give the names of those who have served as presidents of the United States and are now living.
 7. Who was the Democratic candidate for president in the last campaign?
 8. What is the chief use of chicle?
 9. What is the first step in forming a temporary organization in a called meeting?
 10. In mathematics what is the quotient?

- Answers to Last Week's Questions
1. William Shakespeare.
 2. Jerusalem and Damascus.
 3. From the oyster.
 4. Monitor and Merrimack.
 5. 212 degrees.
 6. Al Capone.
 7. By an amendment.
 8. A motion to adjourn is not in order when a speaker has the floor, and a vote is being taken, or when the assembly is in the midst of some business that can not be abruptly stopped.
 9. From the right side.

GREENWOOD CENTER

Peter Stanes, Jr., has returned
home from the C. M. G. Hospital at
Lawiston.
Mary Martin has returned to Mason
where she teaches school, after being
absent for the last two weeks.
Mrs. H. H. Cole has been ill with
her liver.
Fred Waterhouse of West Paris is
colder in this place Friday.
Donald, Gordon and David Rob-
erts of Locke Mills called at their
grandparents' Mr. and Mrs. R. L.
Martin's, Saturday.
W. C. Cross and son Everett of
Locke Mills were callers in the place
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NORTH NEWRY

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Harlow were
guests of L. E. Wight's Sunday after-
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GROVER HILL

V. C. Laprade and crew from Albany
were cutting and hauling birch for
the paper mill at Grover Hill which
he purchased from the heirs of that
estate.

Walter Brown and Albert Flanders
have been at the grove at True
Brown's.

Miss Evelyn Whitman and her brother
Winfield were at home for a
part of Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Whitman attend-
ed the funeral services for Mrs. Irving
Beckler at the Hunt's Corner church
Sunday afternoon where there was a
large attendance of relatives and
friends.

Malcolm Mundt enjoyed the week
end at home with his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. E. A. Mundt.

Several members of the telephone
company attended the annual meeting
at the Bethel office where C. L. Whit-
man was chosen to serve as president
of the line for 1932.

LANOVER

Mrs. O. P. Russell is entertaining
her sister and niece.

Frank Worcester and Wallace Saun-
ders were at home over the week end.

A surprise party was tendered to Mrs.
Lucy Dyke by the Bridge Club Tues-
day. Dinner was served by the vis-
itors and the afternoon was spent play-
ing cards.

Mrs. Lucy Dyke left Thursday for
Ridgelyville, where she will spend the
winter with her sister, Mrs. Albion
Fields.

C. P. Saunders and family attended
the Gorham-Gould game at Bethel
Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Stone of Augusta are
guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
L. T. Dickson.

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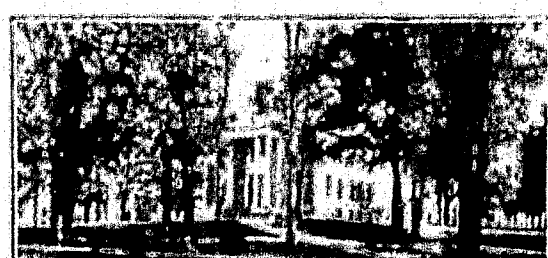
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BETHEL NATIONAL BANK

Bethel National Bank was chartered Feb-
ruary 17, 1905 and opened for business soon
thereafter.
Mr. E. S. Kilborn was the first president and
has been followed by Messrs. D. S. Hastings,
Seth Walker, Ira C. Jordan and Ernest Walk-
er.

Mr. Ellery C. Park was chosen the first cash-
ier and has held that position ever since. It is
through his untiring efforts that the bank has
grown to be one of the strongest banks in the
State with an earned surplus and undivided
profits of nearly three times the capital stock.

The present officers are:
President Ernest M. Walker.
Vice-President Clarence K. Fox.
Cashier Ellery C. Park.
Asst. Cashier Fred B. Merrill.
Directors Ernest M. Walker, Ellery C. Park, John
G. Gehring, Clarence K. Fox, Fred B. Merrill, Frank
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By DORIS M.

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MIL straightened
of soapy water
free from the war
some scraggly hair
watched a sedan c
Then she wiped her
of her apron and pi
of clothes to carry
across the yard.

She was tired and Bee Williams would offer her new silk dress of her wonderful life ready the car was alone. Mill surveyed on the line; heavy, colorless aprons and hanks there. Her eyes turned to greet her. "Hello, Mill. Why matter? You look a little better. What's the trouble was goin' to it?" Mill shrugged. "Nothin'."

"Aw gee, Mill, why
back with me? We
time in the city. I
job for you easy."
Mill's eyes looked
but she shook her head
take a chance. "I'd
without pa knowin'
," she shuddered
But he won't hav
can fix things up on
off during the day
are in the fields.

"I must be getting
ear now. Don't forget
party tonight. We're
the Baxter boys own
called as she walked
her cheap red silk
around her knees.
All remained quiet.

over the barren arena
and which stretched
scrubby bushes pok-
ere. She pictured
about the scene behind
room shack, hideous
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as soon as you

and accept of God's great salvation, to come forward for prayers, this man was among the first to rise and press his way to the front of the platform. There, in agony of soul, he beseeched God's forgiveness of his sins, and gave his heart to God. Thus, the power of God through his great love is giving his Son to die for a sinful world. This rumble-die became a changed man. He exchanged the dirty cell for a decent room nearer the mission. The chains that had held him were removed. He was now free to go where he desired. His life from new life from that day forward. Old friendships passed away. His Christian friends helped him to position that would afford him a comfortable support. He had no more old associates in sin, to lead him from their evil ways. In the next ten years, he was instrumental in winning hundreds of souls to Christ. He studied the Bible at every opportunity; and finally, was made superintendent of the mission where he was

Our third story will be brief in telling, but just as wonderful in its results. An aged Christian man had been so impressed, for a long time to speak to a blacksmith, in his town, of the interests of his soul. The blacksmith was a most profane man, and every one feared his violent tongue. The good Christian man dreaded to speak to him on this all-important subject and kept putting it off, until he could stand it no longer; profiting God that he would go the next day and plead with the blacksmith to become a Christian. The man of God kept but little that night, for the thoughts of the approaching interview filled his mind with terror. He arose early in the morning and harnessed his horse for the five-mile journey. All along the way, he asked God to strengthen him for his mission. He was the first to arrive at the shop, and the blacksmith growled at, as he unkindly said, "If you say any work to me here, old man, be quiet. I can't stand staid raddle all day." The blacksmith took no notice of the impudence, but with a heart pounding with fear, he stepped forward, laid his breast and with a stammering tongue he greeted the brawny man. His message was simple and direct. "Good morning, Mr. Slean, I thought it would be alone, this early in the morning, so I have driven over from my home to speak to you on very important business. I can't rest. I'm troubled about you. You and I have lived in this town for twenty years; and, I have never spoken to you about your soul. Forgive me, but I must say it. You are a sinner. Repent, but promise me that you will be a Christian," and read St. John—three verses. The blacksmith was staggered by a sort of an explosion, that he could not say another word and climbed into his horse and drove off.

say another word and climbed into a wagon and drove home leaving the Smith family with astonishment. It soon became known that the young man had come from the States by such a surprise. Slowly turning the key in his door, and stepped back into his house and searched, until he found a dust-covered old Bible at hand belonged to his aunt. It lay near the cupboard, back of the chimney, where some faded Sunday school quarels (forty years out of date). He opened it and picked up the book and turned to the first page of the St. John 3:16 but without success. The "purple" was beginning to show on his face; when, suddenly, he discovered that something lay between the pages, farther on, in the musty volume. Opening it again, in the new place, he discovered an old book-mark of tear-stained leaves; and there he read (at the top, the sought-for) "Glad to see you here before him, my dear brother, I have been waiting for you, my dear brother, I have been waiting for you."

the pencil marks of crosses and underlines, was the third chapter; and a black line down the column revealed the sixteenth verse, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The words struck vivet-on to the man's heart. He felt before God; and, then and there, repent of his sins and found pardon and salvation. His conversion was genuine and a most wonderful came. He sold out his shop, and became an evangelist. And God has mightily used him on both sides of the Atlantic.

Dear reader, God is speaking to you in you say in your heart? that—
The name of Jesus is so sweet,
Love its music to repeat;
Make my joys full and complete,
In precious name of Jesus."

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Be Not Told
There is, at this given moment a
best path for every man. To find his
truth and to walk in it is the one thing
needful for him.

He Must Be Superior
Proof that man is a superior animal
the fact that he alone survives the
fury and greed of man.—San Francisco
Chronicle.

Interpreting Alibi
Examine the failures of the world,
and you'll find that most of them are
complicated alibi artists.—American
Magazine.

Knowledge Sticks

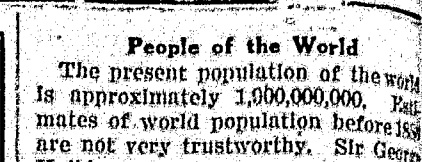
Howdies, Guys!
Another nice thing about the school experience is that you don't forget everything when the test is finished.

Placid Land
Feel-good has had three murders in 50 years. They know how to keep cool there.

Ungathered Rice
"Paddy" is the name given to uncooked rice, whether growing or gathered.

One Point of View
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Michelot's estimate of 1,000,000,000 in 1845 is as well founded a guess as can be made. Accepting this estimate, it can be calculated that between 1845 and 1914 the average annual increase of the world population was about 1 per cent. It was, in other words, increasing at a rate which would double the population in less than 100 years.

Large Incomes

A recent estimate of the number of persons worth \$1,000,000 or more as shown by their paying tax on incomes of \$50,000 and upward was 14,000. In 1925 it was reported that there were 207 persons paying tax on incomes of \$1,000,000 and more, including seven who paid on incomes of \$5,000,000 or over, nine who paid on incomes between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 and 20 who paid on incomes between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

Optimistic Doll
One of the most popular novelties displayed at the Leipzig fair last fall was a fortune-telling doll which announced hopeful prophecies of Germany's future. An ingenious device made it possible for the doll to display cards announcing short but pertinent opinions in a highly optimistic spirit. The doll was named Madame Spencer, after the famous fortune-teller.

"I desire no remuneration for this poem," said the office visitor, "merely submit it as a compliment."

"Then, my dear Sir, allow me to return the compliment," replied the editor with true journalistic courtesy.—Boston Transcript.

The Truth at Last

"The women out our way have formed a secret society."

"Tut! Women don't know how to keep secrets."


"But this society isn't to keep s-

Air Mail Pickup Devised
A new type of aerial pickup was determined at the Washington-Montgomery airport recently. It permits an airplane in flight to take up mail sacks without slackening its speed.

Such Stories!
 Kittys—My husband says he married for beauty and brains.
 Catty—Oh, then you're not his first wife.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Paradox
 Child employment all too often means adult unemployment.—Woman's Home Companion.

Watch this Space for Dates



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COMMUNITY Silver, J. P. BUTTS
Community, Rogers Bros. and
Holmes & Edwards Silver, LYON
Emilcott-Johnson Shoes. Better
Shoes for Everybody, M. A. Naimay
EXIDE Batteries.

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SILKS AND TUBS

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Mil straightened up from the tub free from the warm suds to brush some scraggly hair off her face as she watched a sedan come up the road. Then she wiped her hands on the side of her apron and picked up the basket of clothes to carry to the lines strung across the yard.

She was tired and in a few minutes Bee Williams would be there with another new silk dress and more tales of her wonderful life in the city. Already the car was turning into the lane. Mil surveyed the wash flapping in the line; heavy flannel shirts, colorless aprons and house dresses. No silks there. Her eyes were bitter as she turned to greet Bee.

"Hello, Mil. Why, honey, what's the matter? You look as if something terrible was going to happen."

Mil shrugged. "Nothin' now could happen around this here place."

"Aw gee, Mil, why don't you come back with me? We'd have a grand time in the city. Frank could find a job for you easy."

Mil's eyes looked almost hopeful, but she shook her head. "Oh, I couldn't take a chance. I'd never get away without pa knowin' it. And if he did, she shuddered."

But he won't have to know. You can fix things up on the sly and slip out during the day when he and Eric are in the fields. Pa will lend you money enough to get there. I know what I'll do; when I get back Frank and I'll look around for a place for you dear sir, allow me to come. How'll that be?"

Half afraid to agree, Mil nodded assent. "I must be gettin' back with the car now. Don't forget to come to our party tonight. We're going to have the Baxter boys over to play," she called as she walked back to the car, her cheap red silk dress blowing around her knees.

Mil remained seated awhile looking over the barren acres of Dakota farm and which stretched on every side. Embury bushes poked up here and there. She pictured without turning about the scene behind her. A three-room shack, hideous and unplastered, with a place for Eric to sleep.

She thought of Eric and wondered if he ever felt as she did.

Her thoughts passed on to her father, Hank. Hank Thomson was old. For thirty years he had clung to his claim, thirty lonesome years of labor for his women folk. First a mother, whose more genteel rearing, unable to stand the grind, had left her leave twenty-year-old Mil to carry on her work. Now after sixteen years of it . . . Mil rose as she saw her father approaching from a nearby field. She finished hanging the wash and went into the shanty to prepare the noonday meal. Her father stared but she did not look up.

"Some late gettin' dinner, ain't ya?" "Yuh, I guess so," she answered hastily.

"Suppose Bee Williams kept you all night mornin'." Saw her cut from a fold.

Mil finished the supper dishes early. She had no time to wear to Bee's party but she wanted to go. It would be her first party in three years. When she put on her old voile she looked at nothing more.

Her father watched her preparations. "Hope you ain't plannin' on takin' the horse any place, Mil. I've to go over to Simon's to borrow a harness."

She turned without a word and reentered her small bedroom.

Every day she waited for word from a big city in the bordering state and ways she was preparing for her departure. Little things at a time so she didn't notice. Finally a letter came. Hank Hanson met the mailman himself and brought it in.

"See you got a letter from Bee, ain't she up to now?"

Mil went to her room to read it. "See you soon as you can," she read. "I have found a lady who will wait for you."

Bee had planned everything. The morning Mil sent a note to Mrs. Williams with the mailman saying that engagements were all right for the following afternoon.

Everything was on the table at sharp ten the next day. Mil tried to appear calm but her eyes had a really hysterical look for the first time in years. At 1:30 she was ready to go and taking a last look at the place which had been home to her since she set out for the barn. Half there she was stopped by an exclamation of voices near the door. A group of men were huddled together as if they carried something. Your father's hurt, Mil. He was by the road when Henry Crab's horse of runaway horses caught him. You get a bed ready!

"Don't it so hard, Mil. I know it's a shock but maybe he won't be so bad. Simon tried to console her. "He's turned to re-enter the hut. 'I'll be out,' she said in a toneless voice."

That night Mil went out to the barn, and a straw suitcase from the rig brought it into the house. Hank's eyes gleamed across at her the lamplight as he lay on his cot by the wall. The doctor said he'd lie there the rest of his life.

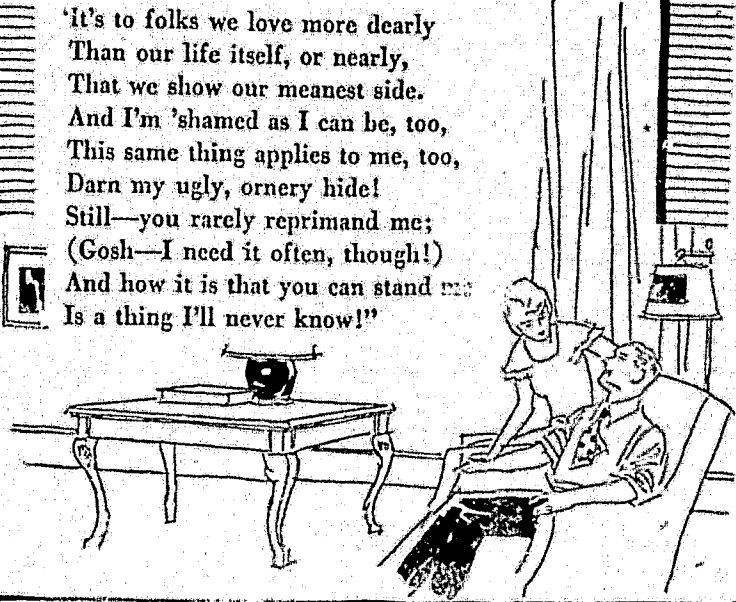
You and I

By CHARLES S. KINNISON

ALL-FORGIVING

"Sure I love you, and you know it, Though sometimes I hardly show it, When I'm feelin' tired and blue. So, believe me, Honey Darlin', Tho, sometimes you find me snarlin', And my meanness breakin' through, 'Tain't that I don't love you, Honey; It is just my cussedness. Yes, I know I'm kinda funny, But I love you, none the less."

"It's to folks we love more dearly Than our life itself, or nearly, That we show our meanest side. And I'm 'shamed as I can be, too, The same thing applies to me, too, Darn my ugly, ornery hide! Still—you rarely reprimand me; (Gosh—I need it often, though!) And how it is that you can stand . . . Is a thing I'll never know!"



RED MAN'S LEGEND OF INDIAN SUMMER

When the smoky haze is over the valley at twilight white Americans seem to see in it the council smoke of the red man, and call it "Indian summer."

To the red American, however, it is "lazy-farmer time" and his explanation of the name and time is like this:

The Great Spirit sends the warm suns of fall to ripen the corn and the pumpkins, and as they turn golden he causes the leaves to fall to show the Indian and the squirrels that harvest time is at hand.

Most of the farmers and the animals heed the warning and hasten to the work of harvest, but there are some lazy humans and animals who always say, "I shall do that tomorrow." So to awake these lazy folks, the Great Spirit calls on the North Wind to send down a real blast and this makes the lazy folks realize that winter is at hand and they have no harvested stores. The lazy man and animal look upward for pity and then the Great Spirit sends a few warm days so that the lazy folks can do their delayed tasks.

After that comes the winter, and we betide that lazy man who did not catch the real meaning of Indian summer.

SOIL NOT NEEDED AS BED FOR CROPS

The plant physiology department of the University of California has found it possible to discard soil as a bed for raising crops. Water may be used instead and the results are far more uniform and reliable, with bumper crops the rule.

The necessary elements of plant food are dissolved in shallow tanks of water wherein the plants are suspended. Drought then becomes a matter of no moment, as a small well will supply water for ten acres of cheap concrete tanks.

The plants, with roots in the water, secure food in abundance without interference from weeds or weather, and they produce enormously. Cotton, rice, and wheat yield 25 per cent to 50 per cent increase over the normal for earth-grown, unfed plants. Tomatoes yield 40 per cent more than usual. Beets and carrots are ready for harvest 20 to 30 days sooner than is ordinary.

The whole process tends to increase production, shorten the time of harvest and turn out a superior quality of produce.—Herald Aiken in the North American Review.

Tasty Bits

"How did the term 'Hot Dogs' come to be applied to eatables?" asks a reader. Probably from the carved wooden "roasting dogs" of the eighteenth century which held spits before the fire for cooking meat.

Laurel for Franklin

Benjamin Franklin was the first to demonstrate the production of cold by evaporation. This fact was until his time unknown to science. He was, however, not the discoverer.

Strange Tipple

"Is kvass a food or drink?" has been asked. It acts as both. It is a Siberian nonintoxicating beverage made from fermented brown bread—and very appetizing.

Talk Is Cheap

After all the speeches have been made and theories propounded conditions remain unchanged. Action alone solves human problems.—Toledo Blade.

Old Saying Disproved

"You can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear" is an old saying. Yet Dr. Arthur Little, an English chemist, has done so. He turned the ears into glue, and the glue into strands of artificial silk from which a charming blue and gold purse was woven.

Aching Void

"Husbands are terra like teeth," said an old Scotch lady. "They're mighty hard to get, an' they're a deal of trouble all the time ye have them, but they leave an awfu' blank abint them when they're gone."—Boston Transcript.

Paper on Wood

Paper that is stuck to the polished table top may be removed by putting a few drops of sweet oil on the paper, then rubbing gently with a soft cloth. Polish with a good furniture polish afterward.

Poison Ivy's Secret

The toxic properties of poison ivy lie in an oily substance present in all parts of the plant. This substance has not been isolated with certainty in any chemical experiments so far undertaken.

Artificial Teeth

False teeth were made as early as 1710 by a Frenchman named Guit-mau. In 1728 Fanchard, also a Frenchman, developed a porcelain and a technique for making artificial teeth.

Shaddock

In its original wild state, says the Los Angeles Times, the grapefruit was called a shaddock. That was years ago, before men learned that unless they were careful, it might strike back.

From the Creek

Indian words that end in "lochee" are from the Creek "hutchie," meaning a mark or design, as, for instance, "Chattahoochee," meaning pictured or designed rocks.

It Does Happen

As you jog along through this old world don't forget that one time out of every million the other fellow is right and you are wrong.—Florida Times-Union.

Longevity Note

The right of way may be yours, but don't insist on having it right away, if waiting a second will keep the undertaker away.—"Aristocrat Enquirer."

Self Sacrifice

In this world it is not what we take up, but what we give up that makes us rich.—Henry Ward Beecher in "Life Thoughts."

Hay Fever Causes

Seventy-one causes for hay fever have been listed. Any sufferer will testify that one is amply sufficient.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Sizes of Continents

North America is larger than South America. It contains about 8,000,000 square miles, while South America contains about 6,500,000.

What Education Can't Do

No college can give you an original mind, if you haven't one, nor a powerful mind, either.—Woman's Home Companion.

Air Conquest Old Idea

In the year 1700 an astute friar in Portugal was subsidised by the king to carry out a series of experiments in flying.

MARRYING CLERK

 ON JOB

New York City Official Finds Couples Generous

New York.—The job of deputy city clerk, which carries with it the duty of marrying couples in the municipal building, was disclosed as one of the city's most profitable jobs when Council Samuel Seabury showed the legislative committee, in a public hearing, that James J. McCormick has been making \$16,000 a year out of it in addition to his salary of \$8,500.

Almost every couple he marries and he marries about 300 a week—make him a little gift after the ceremony, McCormick said. They give him from \$1 to \$10, and rarely \$20. Those gifts and his salary enabled him to bank \$220,000 between 1925 and October 10 of this year.

His own estimate of his "gift" income, however, lacked \$150,000 of accounting for his total deposits in that period and McCormick confessed himself unable to explain that sum.

The questions Mr. Seabury asked the deputy clerk made it clear that the council thought McCormick had been getting "gifts" of \$20 much oftener than he did the smaller sums, and that a larger income from that source would account for the \$150,000. McCormick denied this, however.

The examination of Deputy Clerk McCormick's bank accounts revealed for the first time what a profitable office the "marrying clerk" has.

McCormick said he has been in the city employ ten and a half years and has been Tammany leader in the Twenty-second Assembly district for thirty-eight years.

His municipal job has only two duties—signing bonds and performing marriages.

The "marriage chapel" in the municipal building is a room about 100 by 15 feet, fitted up with two palms furnished by the park department, a desk, and a couple of chairs on a platform.

"Did you ever ask for money when marrying a couple?" Mr. Seabury asked.

"I never have."

"Wasn't there a little drawer in that desk, and wasn't it your practice to keep that drawer open and have a \$20 bill in plain sight?"

"No, sir."

Machines Found Wanting After Miners Lose Work

Shamokin, Pa.—For eight months a dispute over mechanical loaders tied up operations at the Sterling mine here.

Recently the miners and the owners reached an agreement on the wage scale to be paid in sections of the mine where the loaders were used. The mine was reopened.

Later it was learned that the entire trouble was only "much ado about nothing" as the mechanical mining method, were found impractical, except in several small sections of the mine.

The workers lost \$1,500,000 through idleness.

Goat Goes on Rampage, Eats Feather Pillow

Nesqueh, Pa.—The city marshal here fears he may have exceeded his authority in arresting a white billy goat and as a matter of fact has no proper "hold order" for keeping billy locked up.

But the goat is not one to quibble in an emergency. The goat leaped through the window of the W. I. Peck home, planted himself in the middle of the bedroom floor and began eating a feather pillow, while Mrs. Peck became hysterical and sought safety on top of the dresser.

San Francisco Sends Invitation to Wales

San Francisco.—A huge invitation, engraved on parchment and beautifully printed, has been sent the prince of Wales to attend the Shrine convention in San Francisco next July. Joseph Martin, Los Angeles Shriner, who is visiting England to arrange a part of that country's participation in the Olympic games, will present the document.

Shoes to Be Simple

New York.—A smooth leather shoe, made on simple lines and well tailored, will be worn with the novelty woollens which are forecast for spring costumes, intricate in design and cut. This shoe will have the ensemble from becoming too complicated.

Brothers on Same Gun Crew of Ship

Hinghamton, N. Y.—When the after gun crew of the U. S. S. Concord sweeps into action, Gunners Clarence and Orval Slagen, white, of Hinghamton, form an unusual pair.

They boast that they believe they are the only set of brothers assigned to the same ship in the entire navy.

Brother Clarence points the gun. Brother Orval loads it.

Contrary to usual traditions there really is brotherly love. Brother Clarence hates to give orders to Brother Orval, but then Brother Orval doesn't mind taking them.

BRYANT POND

Franklin Grange accepted the invitation to visit Paris Grange last Saturday. Twenty-eight went, and they had a very delightful time.

Franklin Grange held its regular meeting Sunday evening with W. M. Edwin P. Ham in the chair. Every officer was present. There were visitors from West Peru and South Paris, also from Milan, N. H. Past Master Ellis Davis installed Florence Perham, Lecturer, and Elsie Abbott, L. A. S. It was voted to send post cards to Mrs. Eva Thornton, who is in the C. M. G. Hospital. After the business meeting the following program was put on:

Song, "Let's Go, Grange"
 Reading, "The Old Brindle Cow,"
 Annie Bryant

Song, "The Grange Goes Marching On,"
 Reading, "The Old Brindle Cow,"
 Inez Whitman

Jokes, Harmonica Contest between the girls.
 Olive Davis won first prize and Florence Roberts second.

Reading, "Florence Benson Song."
 Harmonica Contest between boys. Lester Felt won first prize and Carl Brooks second.

Song, "Smile, Smile, Smile, Grange Song, Home Sweet Home, Grange Song."
 The young people played games until a late hour.

Woodstock Farm Bureau met at Grange Hall Jan. 14, and held a very interesting meeting on Rug Making.

Mrs. Nancy Andrews was present and gave some very useful instruction on braiding rugs. Several rugs were jammed. There were hooked, braided and crocheted rugs on exhibition. Seventeen members and visitors were present. A square meal was served under the following committee: Mrs. Myrtle Clifford, Mrs. Edith Abbott and Mrs. Edith Jackson. The menu was vegetable hash, pickles, white and dark bread, apple pie and coffee.

The whole party held by the P. T. A. Friday evening was well attended. There were 10 tables, and a good sum was realized.

Leslie Abbott is sick with an abscess in his ear.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cushman of Auburn were guests Sunday of his mother, Mrs. Florence Cushman.

Clyde Brooks of Portland was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Brooks.

Mrs. and Mrs. Porter of South Paris were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Noyes Sunday. Mrs. Porter stayed for a few days.

The Grange Store will be open Saturday, Jan. 23, and will be open part of the day, Pomona day, Feb. 1.

EAST SUMMER

Many from here attended the annual of the Buckle Belt Club at Friday evening.

Mrs. Sadie Fogg, Mrs. Alice Fogg and Clarence M. Cullen were in Buckle Belt Saturday evening. Mrs. Fogg and Mrs. Coffin called on Mrs. A. F. Irish.

When Carl Stephens was home he was Saturday evening a few days out of the stove, causing a lot of trouble, but he recovered help and was home.

Vernon Braden is having a lot of repair work.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Russell were in Lewiston Saturday evening.

WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Ada Rolfe's hand, in which she has been suffering with blood poisoning, is much better.

Hazen Lowell was home from Andover over the week end.

P. H. Rolfe returned to his work in Andover Monday morning after being at home the past week.

Misses Evelyn Brown and Leona McAllister, with Will Damon of Norway, called on Miss Irene Saunders Sunday.

Albert Skillings is on the sick list. Carmelo Onofrio has gone to New Hampshire after a load of furniture with his truck.

Raymond Tyler, Fred Lovejoy and Edmund Smith with his truck are helping Paul Head unload his carload of grain.

Warren Tyler's arm, which he cut severely last week, is doing nicely.

Elmo Saunders has returned from Albany.

Clayton Kendall and two youngest sons are ill with the measles.

Loton Hutchinson was home over the week end from Saco.

Ervin Hutchinson had an ill car Saturday.

Mrs. Laurence Lord and baby visited Mrs. C. M. Bennett Monday afternoon.

Byron Abbott and family were in town Sunday.

Robert Gilbert and family are sick again with the grippe.

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